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SUBJECT: IRAQI CHRISTIANS

1. THE GREEK EMBASSY HAS TAKEN STEPS TO DECREASE THE FLOW OF IRAQI CHRISTIANS TO GREECE. SINCE LAST DECEMBER, VISAS ARE BEING REFUSED TO IRAQI CHRISTIANS, PARTICULARLY ARMENIANS AND ASSYRIANS, UNLESS THEY ARE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, HAVE BUSINESS CONNECTIONS IN GREECE, OR ALREADY HAVE VALID VISAS FOR A THIRD COUNTRY SUCH AS THE U.S.

2. THE NEW POLICY HAS HAD THE EFFECT OF LIMITING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VISAS ISSUED TO AN AVERAGE OF FIVE OR SIX PER DAY. LAST YEAR THE EMBASSY ISSUED ABOUT 20,000 VISAS. ALTHOUGH THE NEW, RESTRICTED POLICY HAS BEEN ORDERED BY ATHENS, THE GREEK CONSULAR ATTACHE IS NOT SURE IT WILL CONTINUE INTO THE HIGH-VOLUME, HIGH-PRESSURE SUMMER MONTHS.
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